

NAVAJO REVITALIZATION FUND BOARD
MINUTES
Meeting – October 25, 2016

Members Present

Keith Heaton	Chairman
Rebecca Benally	San Juan County Commissioner
Brenda Brown	NUC Board Chair, Alternate Member
Herman Farley	Chapter President

Visitors & Staff

Jess Peterson	Housing & Community Development (NRF State Office)
Maury Bergman	Utah Navajo Trust Fund
Melinda Blackhorse	UNTF Projects Specialist
Jennifer Domenici	Housing & Community Development
Minnie John	Red Mesa Chapter

I. Welcome & Introductions

Keith Heaton called the meeting to order at approximately 1:40 p.m. on October 25, 2016 with quorum established. The meeting was held via conference call and Keith welcomed everyone.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on September 20, 2016 were presented for approval by the board. A motion was made to approve the minutes.

Herman Farley made a motion to approve the minutes.

Brenda Brown seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

III. Fund Report

1. **Fund Balance Sheet:** Jess Peterson presented what the current balances were for each chapter and the non-chapter allocation. The balances are derived from the revenues (allocation + interest) after deductions of approved projects. The chapter balances are sufficient to fund their applications before the board.

IV. Board Business

1. TeecNosPos's total request was for \$59,300.00.
 - Complete the final construction phase of the new homes for Daisy Kady, Herbert Dee Jr. and Herbert Dee Sr. - \$32,000.
 - Complete the renovation for the home of Sylvia Zhonnie and family - \$27,300.00.
 - There is no cost breakdown, the \$32,000 will be allocated among all three homes.

Herman Farley made a motion to approve the request for \$59,300.00 as presented.

Brenda Brown seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Red Mesa total request was for \$45,700.00.
 - Helen Tsosie, housing construction project - \$5,000.00
 - Ira Tsosie, housing construction project - \$10,000.00
 - Alberta Martin, housing construction project- \$5,000.00
 - Yvonne Johnson, housing construction project- \$4,200.00

- Marietta Topaha, housing construction project- \$10,000.00
- Billy Shorty, housing construction project - \$1,500.00
- Keith B. Yazzie, housing construction project - \$10,000.00

Brenda Brown made a motion to approve the request for \$45,700.00 as presented. Rebecca Benally seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Red Mesa – Non Chapter – Senior Center Building expenses total request was for \$42,612.00
 - Red Mesa respectfully requests the Navajo Revitalization Fund Board allocate in the amount of 42,612.00 NRF Non-Chapter available fund for the Red Mesa Chapter Senior Center building renovation expense costs.
 - Herman extended an invitation for board members to attend the dedication upon completion of the renovation.
 - Money has been expended from other sources. Some of the \$41,612.00 will go towards replenishing these accounts. Copies of checks and materials were sent to Tony Dayish.
 - Jess Peterson looked at the budget, there is just barely enough to cover the amount Red Mesa is requesting.

Brenda Brown made a motion to approve the request for \$42,612.00 as presented. Rebecca Benally seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

V. Project Applications - New Business

1. 1. Housing Policy – Navajo Revitalization Fund Board – 2/28/11
 - Each home will receive no more than \$100,000 in total public assistance. Tony Dayish is recommending this amount be increased to \$110,000.
 - Staff recommend that we increase to \$110,000.
 - **ACTION: This item was tabled for the January 17, 2016.**
 - Rebecca asked how individual tracking was done. Maury stated that all project expenditures are tracked.
 - Rebecca Banally talked about match funding. There are not a lot of matching funds for housing. Keith Heaton stated, the purpose of match funding is to encourage trying to get any type of match funding that is available. Match funds is recommended, not required.

Brenda Brown made a motion to table the Housing Policy and add it to the January 17, 2017 agenda. Herman Farley seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

VI. Board Member Issues: - No board issues were reported

VII. Proposed Meeting Schedule – January 17, 2017 at 1:30 via conference call.

Adjourn – 1:58 PM

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